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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §§1.97-1.98, applicants call the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. HEI 9-91455, which was published on April 4, 1997, together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

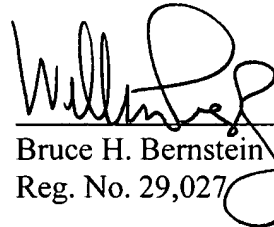
Japanese Laid Open Patent Publication No. HEI 10-240915, which was published on September 11, 1998.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the applicants with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

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Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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